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Chief of Staff



German Brigadier General Kai Ronald Rohrschneider became the second multinational Chief of Staff at U.S. Army Europe in January 2017. He joined the Deutsches Heer, or German Army, in 1983 as an officer candidate at Panzer Battalion 63 in Arolsen and has served in a variety of command and staff assignments throughout Germany and on operations.

Immediately prior to this assignment, BG Rohrschneider served as the Commander, 21st Panzer Brigade (Lipperland), Augustdorf.

His assignments include: Chief of Staff at the 37th Light Infantry Brigade in Frankenberg; Battalion Commander of the 393rd Panzer Battalion in Bad Salzungen; Personnel Manager of Army General Staff Officers at the Personnel Office of the Bundeswehr in Cologne and Assistant Chief of Staff G-3/5/7 at the 13th Panzergrenadier Division in Leipzig. From 2012 to 2014 he worked for the Ministry of Defense, Policy Division, as Branch Head "Security Policy of Operational Deployments" in Berlin.

BG Rohrschneider's deployments include ISAF positions as Chief of Staff in 2006 and from 2009 to 2010 as Commander, Provincial Reconstruction Team in Kunduz, Afghanistan.

BG Rohrschneider is a graduate of the Bundeswehr University in Hamburg, where he earned a Degree in Economics and Organizational Science. He completed the General Staff Officer Course at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in Hamburg. He is also a graduate of the Advanced Command & Staff Course (ACSC4) at the Joint Services Command and Staff College at Shrivenham, Great Britain and the National Security Program (NSP4) at the Canadian Forces College in Toronto, Canada.